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Land Transfer of Army Reserve Center to Chambersburg Area School District now Law

Washington, D.C. – **Congressman Bill Shuster** is pleased to announce that President Obama has signed into law legislation including the transfer of the Chambersburg Army Reserve Center to the Chambersburg Area School District.

"I am pleased to see that the land transfer of the old Army Reserve Center is now the law of the land," Shuster said. "The fact that the language I inserted in the bill survived a long and complex legislative process indicates what can happen when our entire community works together as a team."

The Letterkenny Army Depot has begun construction of a new Army Reserve Center on-base that will enable the Depot to expand its mission and upon completion will render the Chambersburg Army Reserve Center facility obsolete. Congressman Shuster secured \$14.6 million in FY 2009 for the construction for the new, consolidated Reserve Center. During the planning stages for the new center, the Chambersburg School District expressed interest in taking over the existing Reserve facility.

To accomplish this, there had to be a legislative trigger that would allow the transfer. Congressman Shuster successfully inserted that "trigger" into coveys the property from the Army to the Chambersburg Area School District as such time as the Army vacates the Reserve Center.

In August, Congressman Shuster took part in the ceremonial groundbreaking for the new Army Reserve Center that will be constructed on the grounds of the depot. Congressman Shuster secured \$14.6 million in the FY2009 appropriations process for the new Reserve Center.